



1 for active duty sponsored family members with condition-specific developmental disability  
2 needs; and

3 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals administers the New  
4 Opportunities Waiver (NOW), Residential Options Waiver (ROW), Supports Waiver (SW)  
5 and the Children's Choice Waiver (CC) which provide home-and-community-based services  
6 for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities; and

7 WHEREAS, it is imperative that regardless of the entry point into the developmental  
8 disability system, military families be informed of all options available to them in order to  
9 make informed decisions about their health care; and

10 WHEREAS, appropriate referrals should be made by the United States Department  
11 of Defense and the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals to ensure that military  
12 families are aware of the services available to them and are able to apply for and secure  
13 services or placement on waiting lists.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
15 urge and request the United States Department of Defense and the Louisiana Department of  
16 Health and Hospitals to coordinate efforts to provide information to military families  
17 regarding services for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agencies share informational brochures and  
19 fact sheets regarding their programs and services for individuals with intellectual or  
20 developmental disabilities that can easily be provided to military families regardless of  
21 where they present themselves to apply for services.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agencies work together to address the unique  
23 needs of our military families that are in need of services for individuals with intellectual or  
24 developmental disabilities.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
26 United States Department of Defense and the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals.

